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## CALIFORNIA COUPLE PLEAD GUILTY TO METH DISTRIBUTION

- \$91,000 of meth

OWENSBORO, KY - **John Sesera Brown,** age 34, and **Alicia Abney**, age 26, both of 29 Palms, California, pled guilty on July 23, 2007, to conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute methamphetamine, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky announced today.

Abney pled guilty and admitted that from July 2006 to on or about November 22, 2006, in Daviess County, Kentucky, and elsewhere, she conspired with Brown and others to knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to distribute 500 grams of methamphetamine, worth approximately \$50,000 on the street. Brown admitted that he conspired with Abney and others during the same time period to knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to distribute 905.8 grams of methamphetamine, worth approximately \$91,000 on the street.

The maximum potential penalties are life imprisonment, a \$6,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least five years.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Daniel P. Kinnicutt, and it was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Owensboro Police Department.

The pleas were entered before Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Judge, United States District

Court, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Brown and Abney are scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Joseph H. McKinley, Jr. on October 17, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., in Owensboro, Kentucky.

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